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Dear Justice St. Families,

Welcome to the 2020-2021 school year! We are looking forward to an outstanding school year. Our teachers and staff have been working around the clock to set us up for a successful start to the school year. Thank you in advance for your support and patience while we blaze a new path for remote learning during the current pandemic. I am proud of the ties that we have built among all stakeholders: students, parents/guardians, teachers, staff, community and our District as a whole! We always remind our students to be problem solvers and empathetic citizens, and that is most critical during this unprecedented time. Welcome aboard to all of our new family members. We are a dynamic community and we look forward to partnering with you to ensure all students achieve!

COMMUNICATION

My primary method of communication will be through Blackboard Connect. This is the program used to email, send voicemails, and text messages to our families. I will also continue to utilize Zoom Meetings and our Taft Community of Schools will continue to hold Virtual Townhall Meetings via Zoom Webinar. Please reserve the following dates for upcoming meetings.

- Tuesday, Aug. 11th – Coffee With The Principal via Zoom Meeting at 10:00 a.m.
- Thursday, Aug. 13th – Taft Community of Schools Virtual Townhall via Zoom Webinar at 5:00 p.m.
- Monday, Aug. 17th – TK, Kindergarten and New Student Orientations via Zoom Meeting. Times TBD.
- Tuesday, Aug. 18th – Schoolwide Orientation via Zoom Meeting (Time TBD).

You may also call our main office at (818) 346-4388, Monday-Friday, 7:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Information you may need to refer back to has been posted on our school website at justicestreetacademy.com. Our PTA also has social media accounts with Facebook and Instagram. Please follow them for important reminders and PTA announcements. I can be reached by email at clh2104@lausd.net and I will do my best to reply within 24 hours.

MATERIALS AND DEVICE DRIVE-THRU GRAB AND GO

Please see the attached detailed plan for our Drive-Thru Grab and Go efforts. Parents will need to pick up instructional materials during your assigned time to assist your child(ren) with distance learning. QR Badges will also be distributed to allow students to access their classes via Schoology. We are planning to provide this for all students. However, 3rd-5th may choose to use their email and passwords.

If you need a Chromebook device, you will be able to pick it up at your assigned time as well. Please fill out the "Paperless Device Distribution and Responsible Use Form" [here](#) using the **access code: lausd2020** prior to your scheduled pickup time.

Thursday, August 13, 2020
7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. TK and Kindergarten
9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. 1st Grade

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. 2nd Grade

Friday, August 14, 2020

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. 3rd Grade

9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. 4th Grade

11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. 5th Grade

A "Make-up Grab and Go" time will be held on Tuesday, August 18, 2020 between 7:30 a.m. and 9:30 a.m. in case you miss your grade level time. If you have more than one child, please select whichever time works best for you.

If you haven't filled out the Google Form regarding devices and or hotspot, please fill it out [here](#). All families should fill it out even if you do not need a device.

BACK TO SCHOOL PLAN 2020-2021

Our Superintendent shared a very important document with us this weekend. Please read and print the [Back to School Plan 2020-2021](#) by clicking [here](#). It is also available on our school website, in both English and Spanish. It is likely to answer many of your questions. If you still have questions, feel free to pose them at next week's Townhall Meeting.

INSTRUCTION BEGINS AUGUST 18th

More information is forthcoming regarding instructional schedules. As soon as more details are known, I will share them with you. Please know that the first day of instruction will be August 18th, as planned. Information about asynchronous vs. synchronous instruction has been determined at the state level and we are eagerly awaiting the implementation details from LAUSD and UTLA.

*Synchronous learning is online or distance education that happens in real time, whereas asynchronous learning occurs through online channels without real-time interaction.

TEACHER ASSIGNMENTS

It is my pleasure to introduce Jenny Jung as our new TK teacher. Ms. Jung has extensive training and experience working with our youngest learners. She has previously taught at an independent charter and joins our Justice family with the highest recommendations. Additional changes to our grade-level assignments include Mr. Wright moving to Kindergarten, Ms. Shwarz moving to 4th Grade, and Miss Garcia moving to 5th Grade. We wish all our teachers continued success as we implement much of our professional learning that has taken place since March.

We have always been a school that rises above and beyond any occasion. Our virtual start will be no exception to this and I am confident that our students will continue to achieve. Thank you for being our partner during this challenging time. Stay safe and stay healthy.

All the best,
Cynthia Hernandez Morrison
Principal